

Title: Beyond bosons and fermions: how to detect and use anyons

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Abstract: One of the key features of the quantum Hall effect (QHE) is the fractional charge and statistics of quasiparticles. Fractionally charged anyons accumulate non-trivial phases when they encircle each other. In some QHE systems an unusual type of particles, called non-Abelian anyons, is expected to exist. When one non-Abelian particle makes a circle around another anyon this changes not only the phase but even the direction of the quantum-state vector in the Hilbert space. This property makes non-Abelian anyons promising for fault-tolerant quantum computation. Several experiments allowed an observation of fractional charges. Probing exchange statistics is more difficult and has not been accomplished for identical anyons so far. We will discuss how the statistics can be probed with Mach-Zehnder interferometry, tunneling experiments and far-from-equilibrium fluctuation-dissipation theorem.

Beyond Bosons and Fermions: How to Detect and Use Anyons

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- fractional statistics
- quantum Hall effect
- non-Abelian anyons

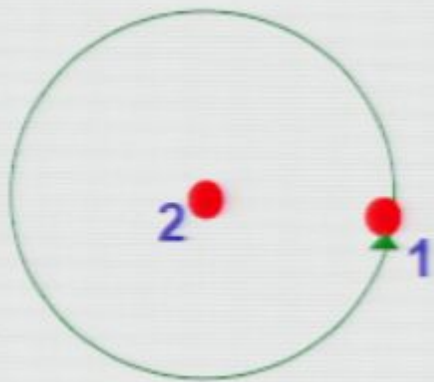
- Detecting non-Abelian anyons

- electronic Mach-Zehnder interferometer
- Tunneling in different geometries
- Nonequilibrium fluctuation-dissipation theorem

Fractional Statistics

Bosons: $\psi(x_1, x_2) = \psi(x_2, x_1)$

Fermions: $\psi(x_1, x_2) = -\psi(x_2, x_1)$



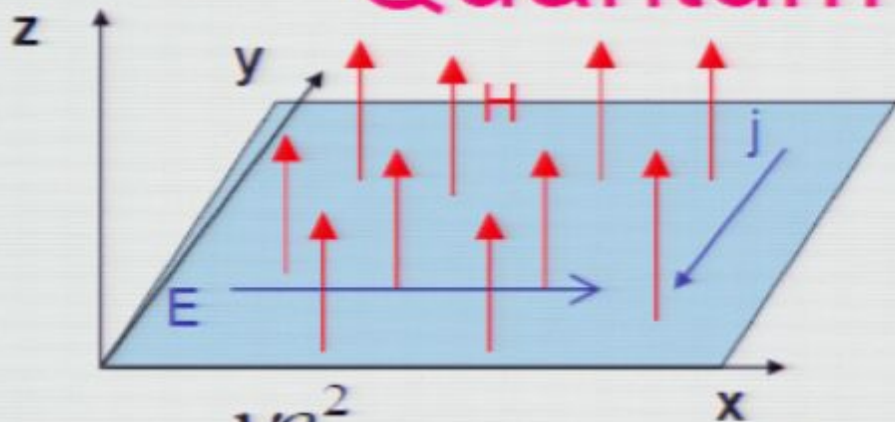
Statistical phase:

$$\psi \rightarrow \exp(i\theta)\psi$$

Anyons: $\theta \neq 2\pi n$

No anyons in 3D

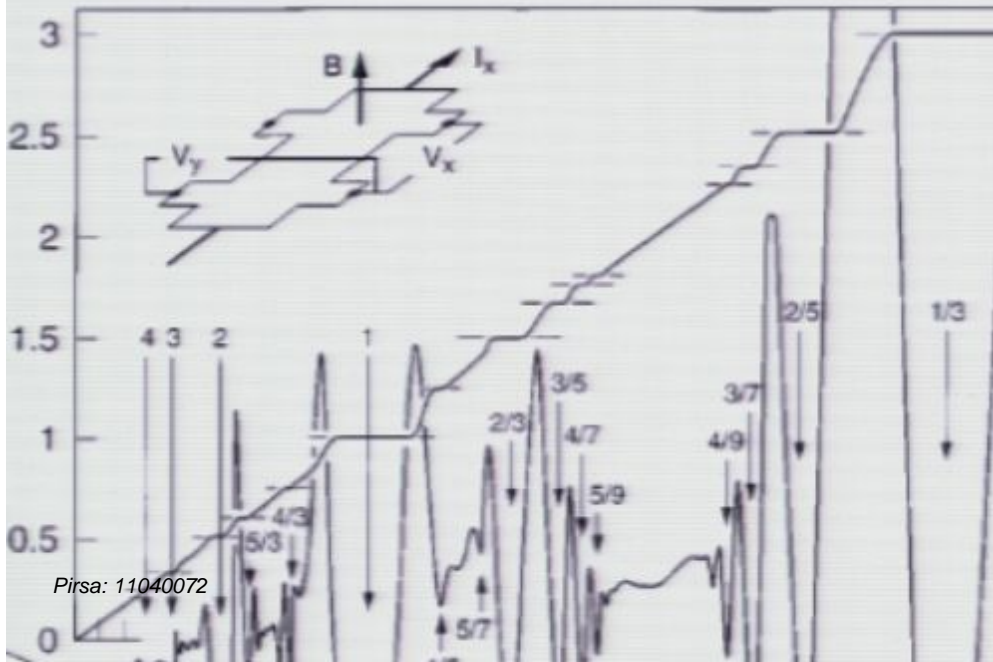
Quantum Hall Effect



$$I_x = \sigma_{xx} V = 0$$

$$I_y = \sigma_{xy} V$$

$$I = \frac{ve^2}{h} V; \quad v - \text{rational number (filling factor)}$$



$$\frac{e^2}{h} = (25.8k\Omega)^{-1}$$

$$= 1 \text{ Klitzing}$$

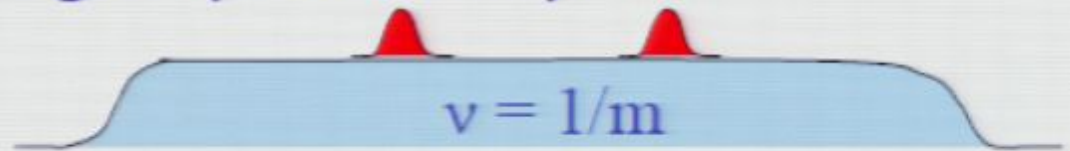


Laughlin State

$$\nu = \frac{1}{2n+1};$$

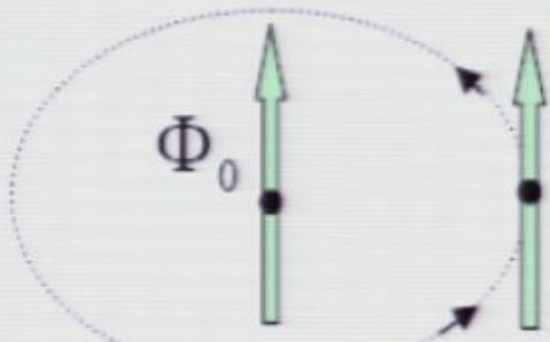
Quasiparticle charge (Laughlin)

$$q = \nu e$$



Quasiparticle statistics
(Arovas, Schrieffer, Wilczek)

$$\theta = 2\pi\nu$$

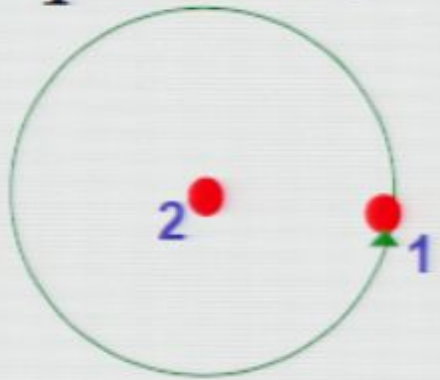


$$\theta = \frac{q}{\hbar c} \oint \vec{A} d\vec{r}$$

Moore-Read (Pfaffian) state

$$\nu = 5/2$$

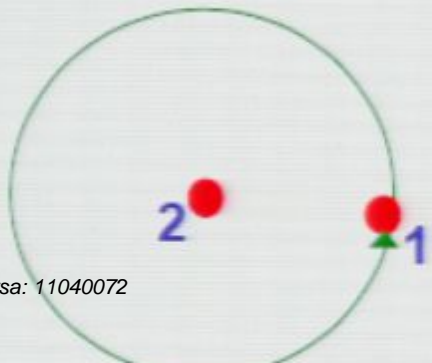
$q = e/4$; non-Abelian statistics



$$|\psi_f\rangle \neq \exp(i\theta)|\psi_i\rangle$$

Several states at given quasiparticle positions

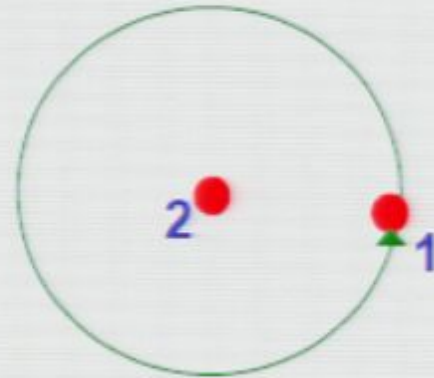
Vacuum superselection sector $|1\rangle$



$$\psi \rightarrow \psi$$

$$\theta = 0$$

Fermion sector $|\varepsilon\rangle$

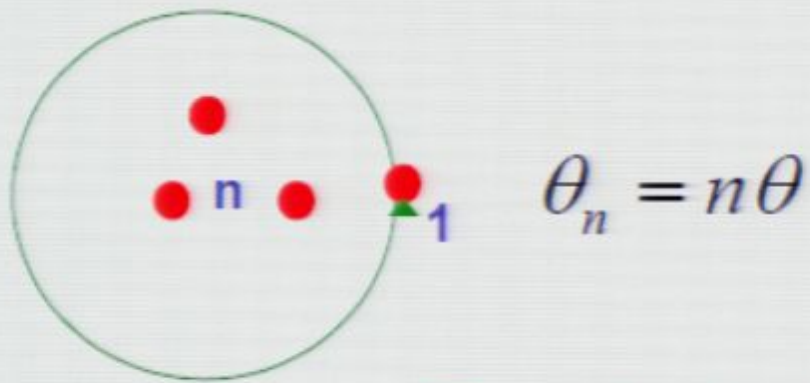


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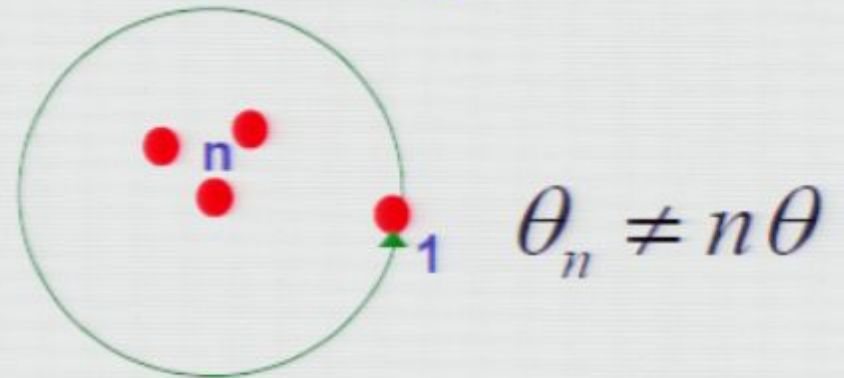
$$\theta = \pi$$

Non-Abelian statistics

Abelian anyons



Non-Abelian anyons

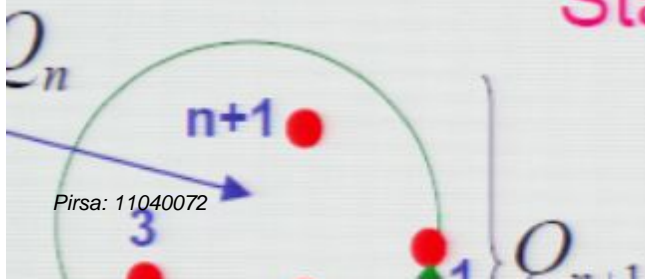


Topological charge

even quasiparticle number : $Q = 1$ or ε

odd quasiparticle number : $Q = \sigma$

Statistical phase



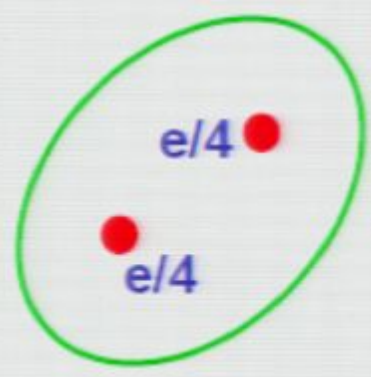
$$\theta = n\pi/4 + \varphi(Q_n, Q_{n+1})$$

$$\varphi(1, \sigma) = 0; \varphi(\sigma, 1) = \pi/4;$$

Fusion rules

$$1 \times \sigma = \sigma; \quad \varepsilon \times \sigma = \sigma; \quad \sigma \times \sigma = 1 + \varepsilon$$

Non-Abelian qubit and quantum computing



- Vacuum state = 1
- Fermion state = 0

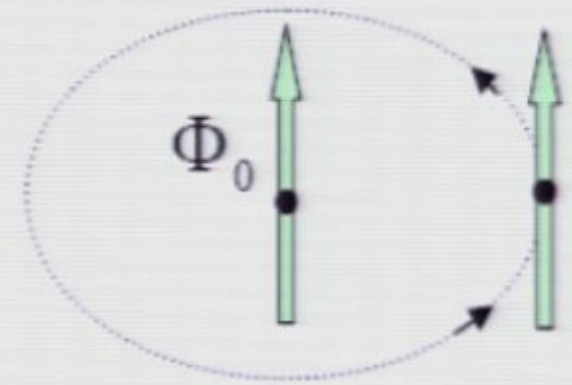
Stable with respect to local perturbations!

Operations \longrightarrow Quasiparticle braiding

Universal quantum computation :

But other $5/2$ states might be possible

$\nu = 8$ state: Cooper pairs form Laughlin state with the filling factor $\nu = 8$ and quasiparticle charge $e/4$.



Abelian statistics: $\theta = \pi / 4$

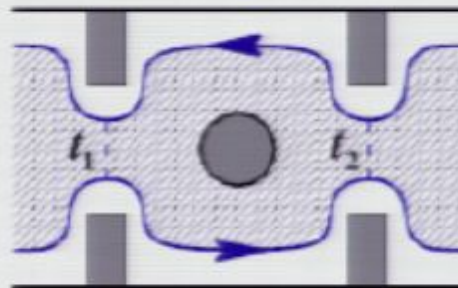
$\nu = 31/3$ state: $2e/3$ quasiparticles on top of the Laughlin $\nu = 1/3$ state condense into an **Abelian state**

- Non-Abelian states:**
- Pfaffian state
 - Anti-Pfaffian state

- and others

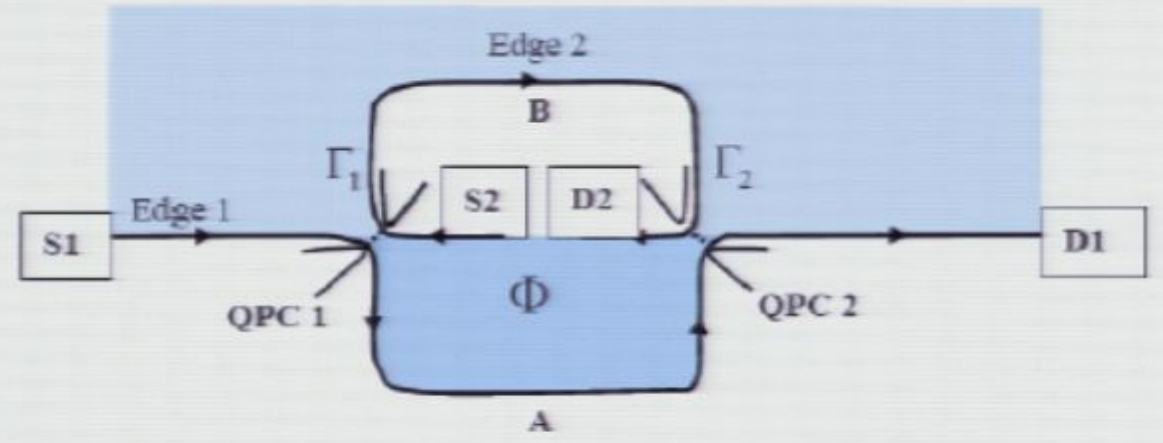
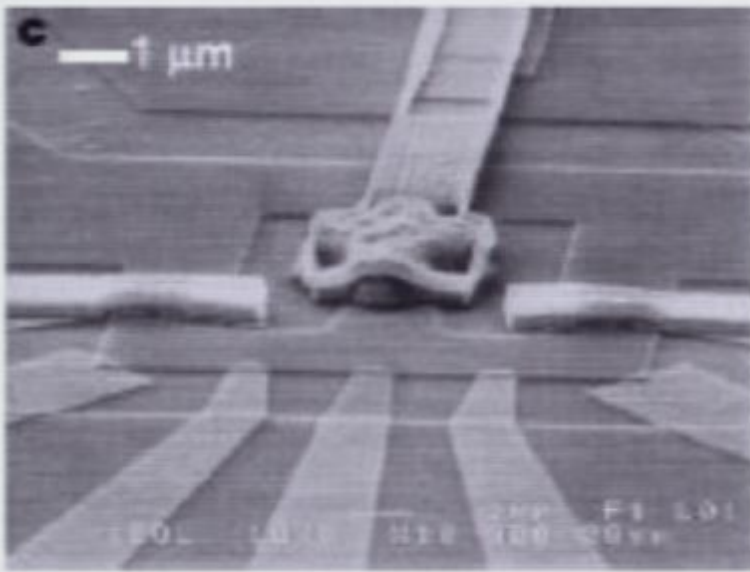
Detecting fractional statistics

- Fractional charge + gauge invariance = fractional statistics; current vs. flux in the $1/3$ state: F. E. Camino et al., PRL **98**, 076805 (2007).
- Theoretical proposals: P. Bonderson et al., PRL **96**, 016803 (2006) ; A. Stern and B. I. Halperin PRL **96**, 016802 (2006)



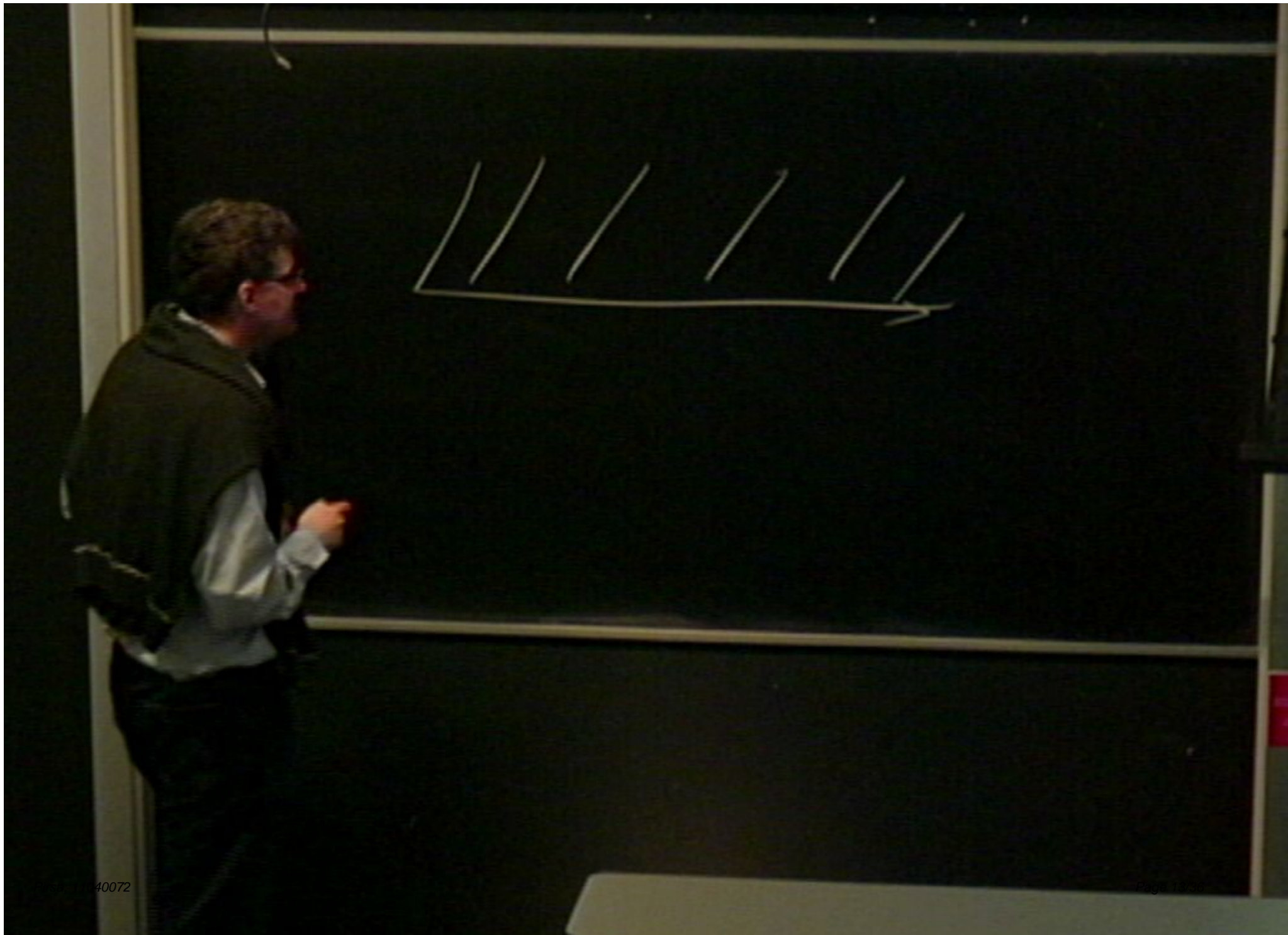
fluctuations of the number of the trapped quasiparticles;
identical signatures of some Abelian and non-Abelian
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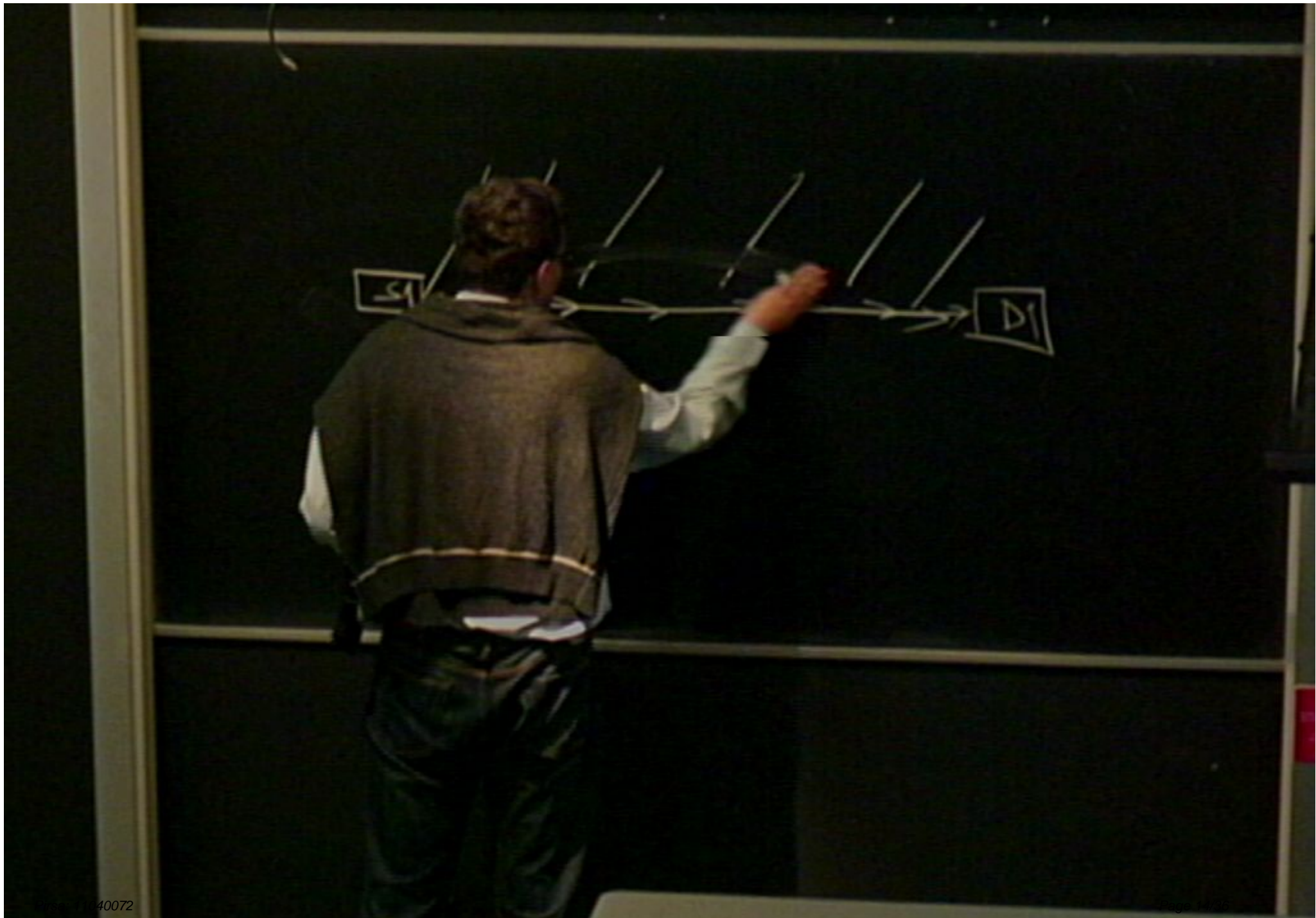
How to determine the right state: Electronic Mach-Zehnder interferometer



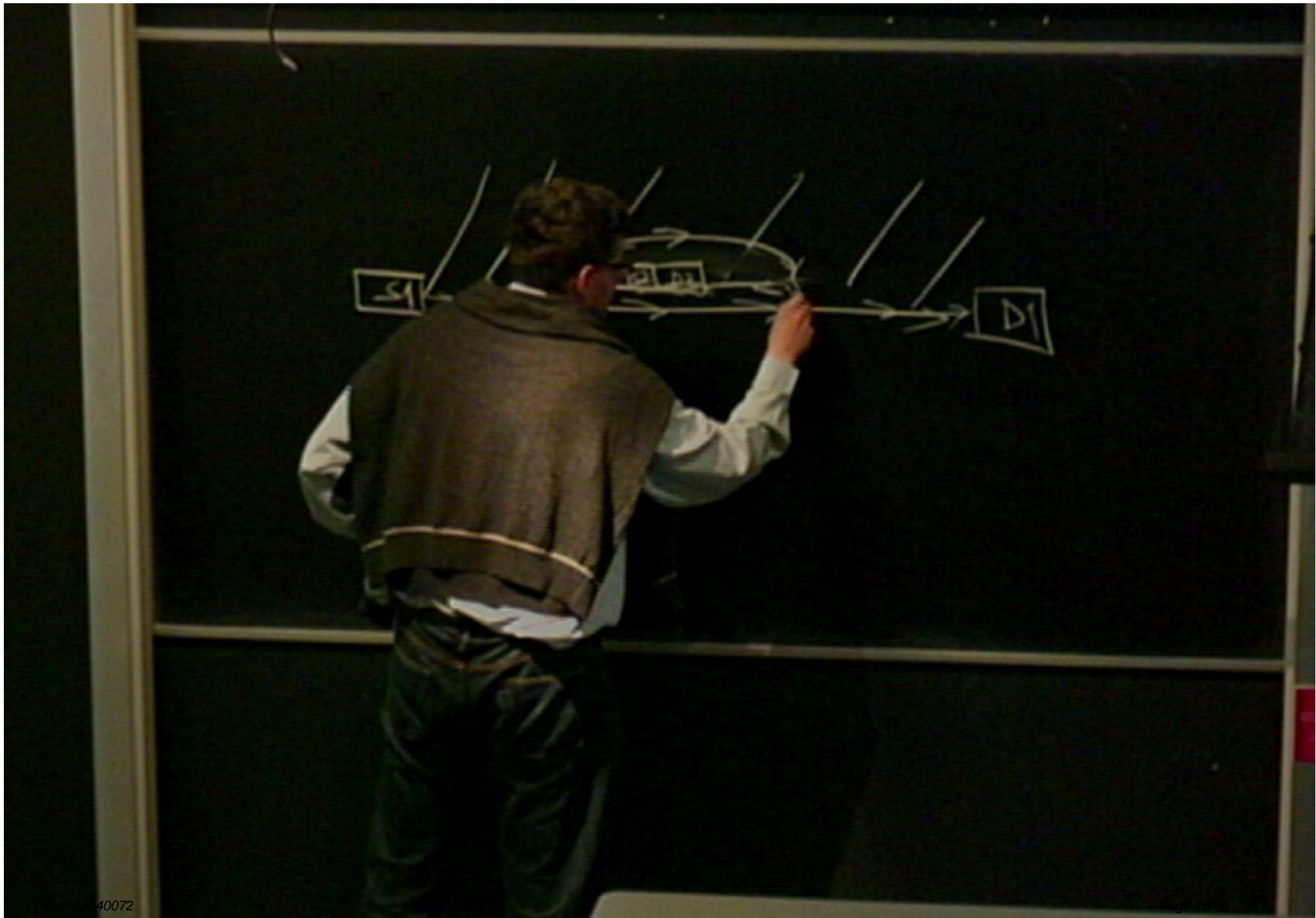
Integer quantum Hall effect

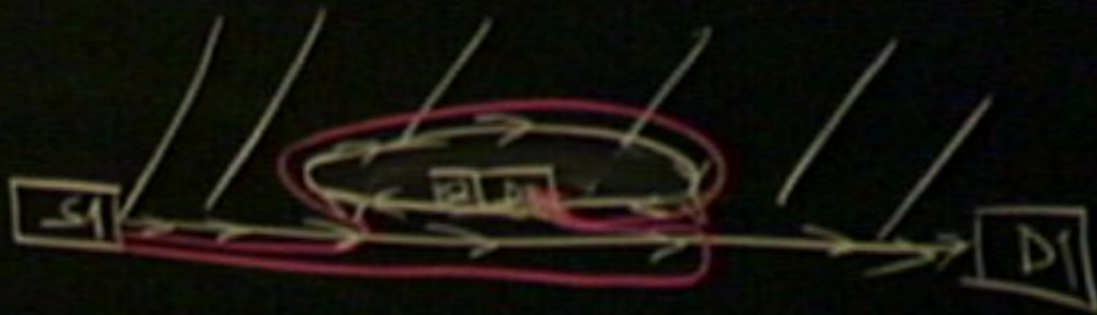
$$I = Vc_1[|\Gamma_1|^2 + |\Gamma_2|^2] + Vc_2[\Gamma_1\Gamma_2^* \exp(-2\pi i\Phi / \Phi_0) + c.c.]$$



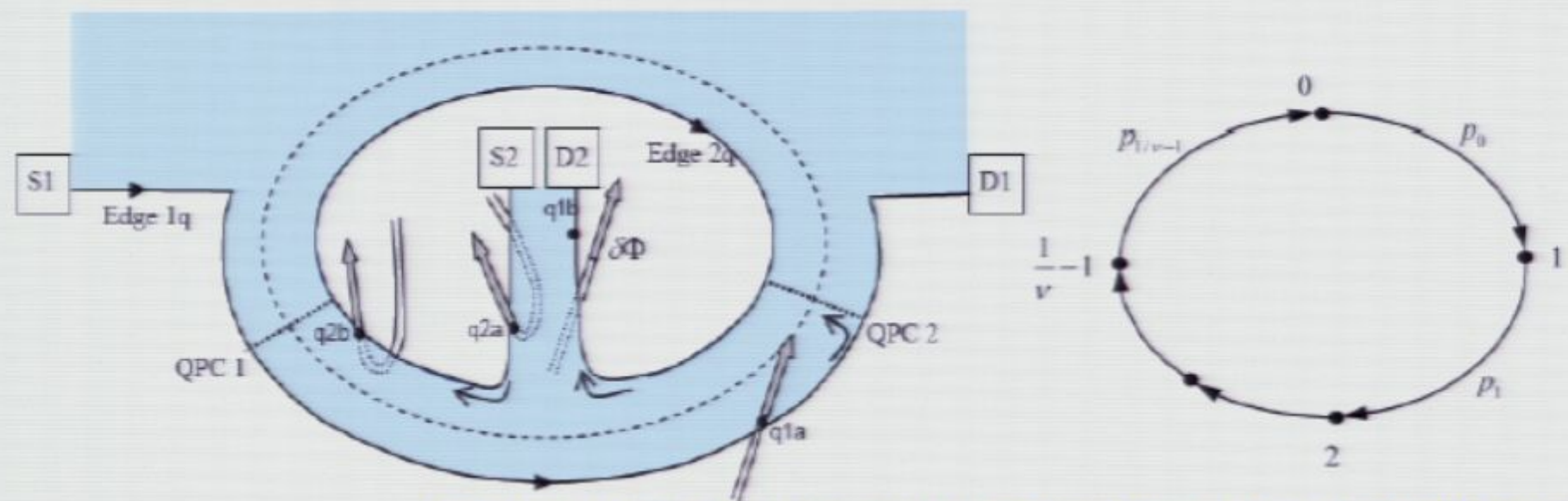








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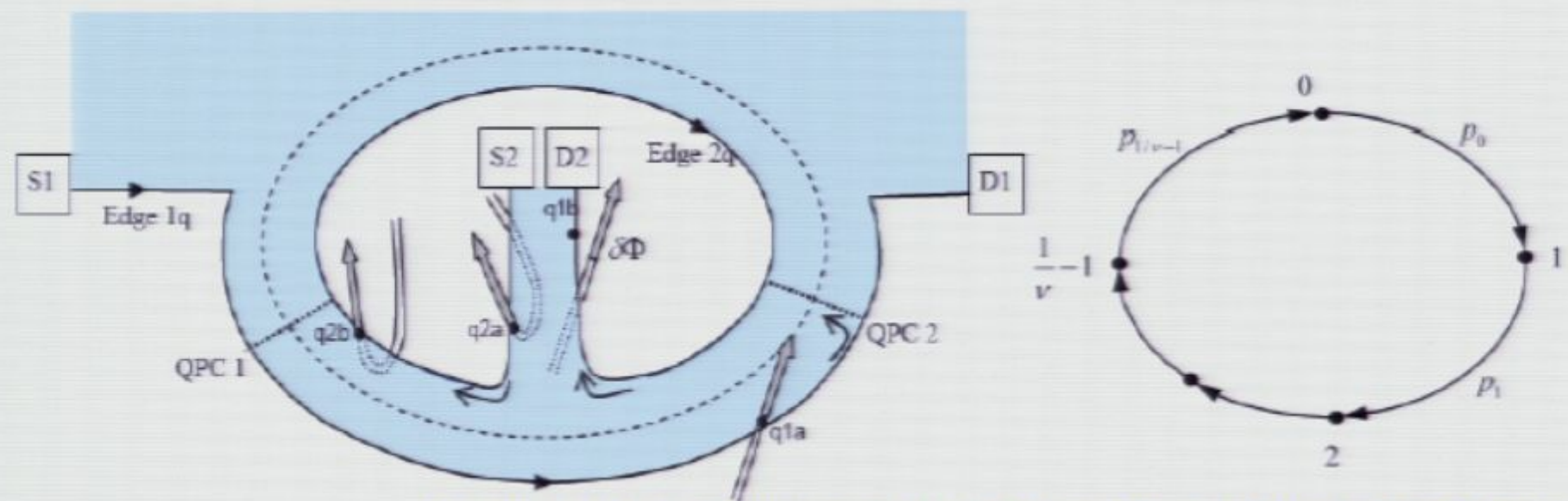
Tunneling probability:

$$p(\Phi) = c_1[|\Gamma_1|^2 + |\Gamma_2|^2] + c_2 \Gamma_1 \Gamma_2^* \exp(-2\pi\nu i \Phi / \Phi_0) + c.c.$$

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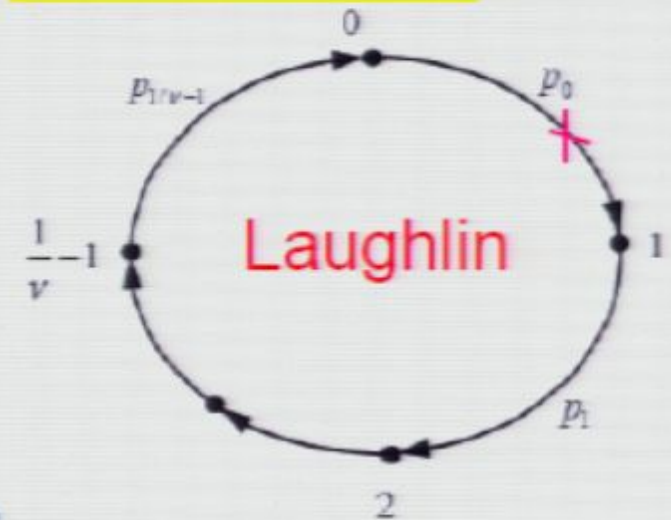
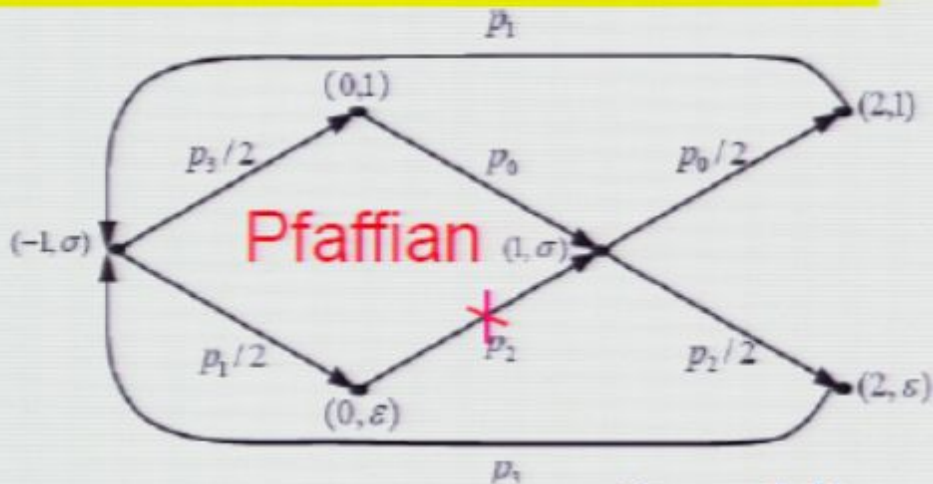
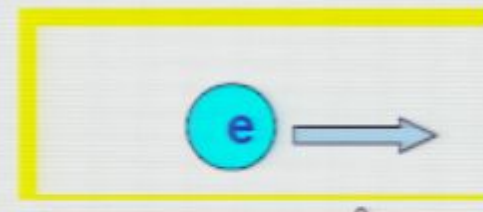
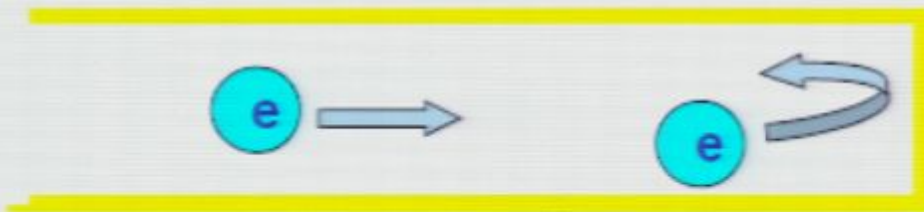
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Shot Noise

$$S = 2 \int [\langle I(0)I(t) \rangle - \langle I \rangle^2] dt = 2q \langle I \rangle$$



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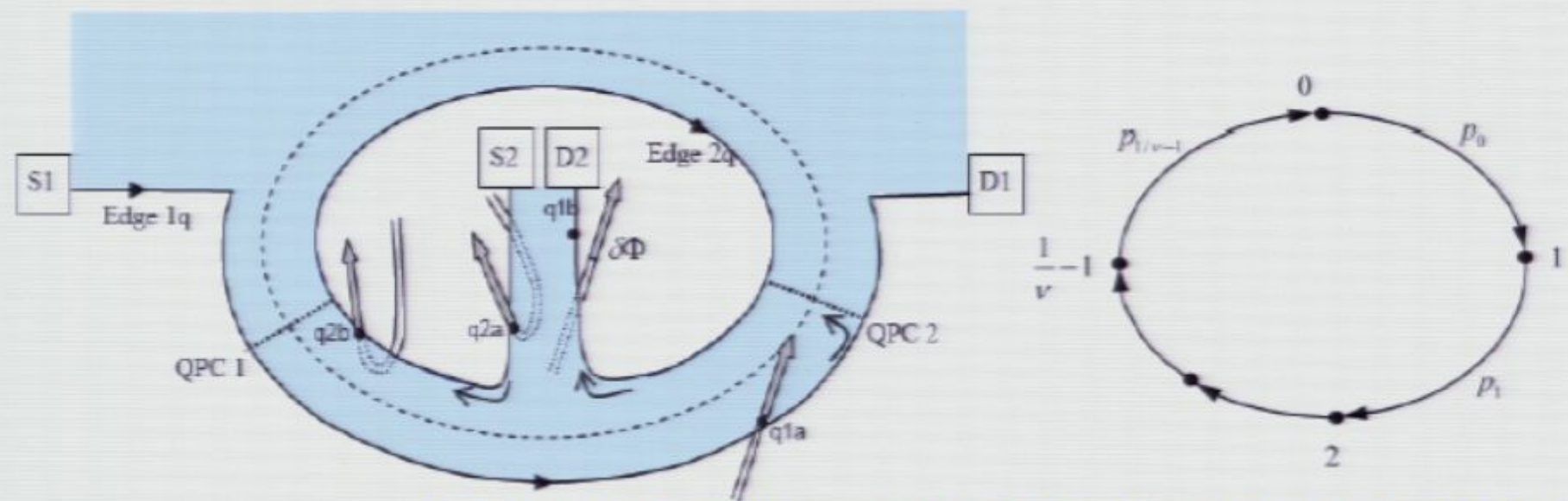


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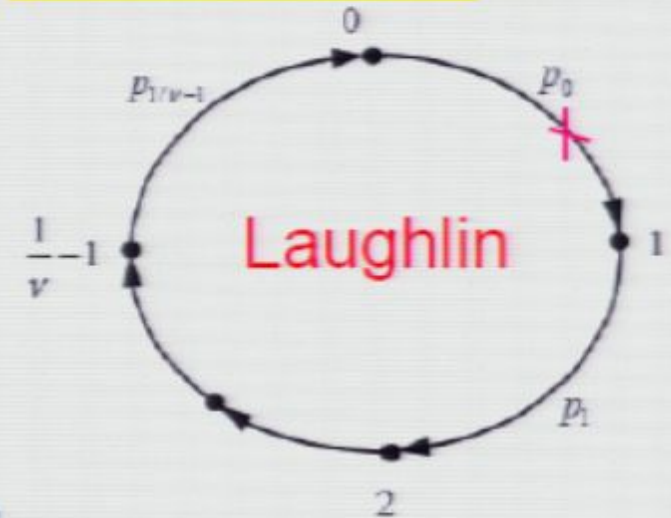
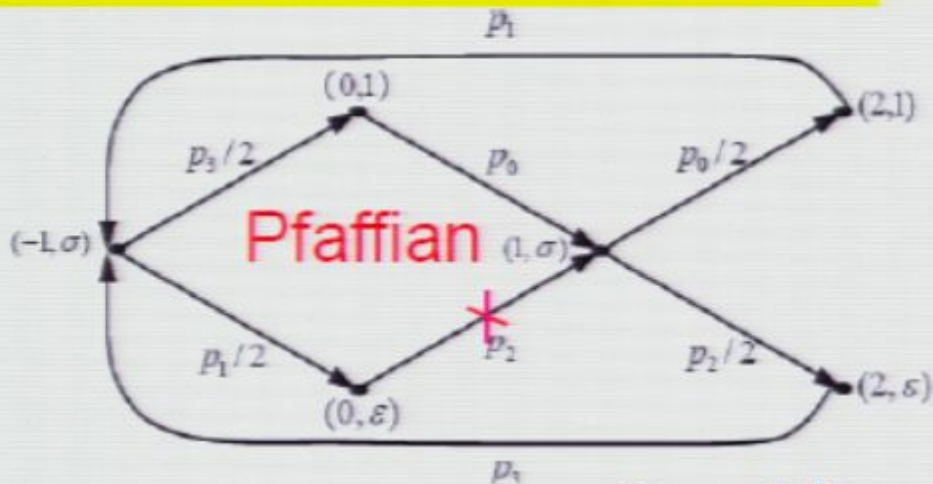
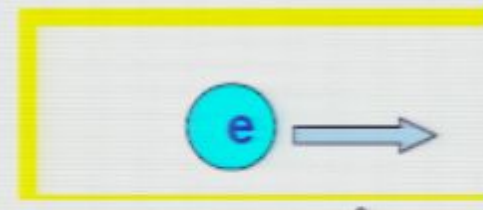
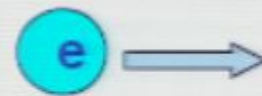
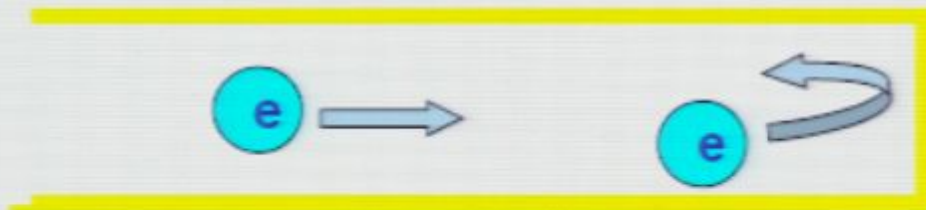
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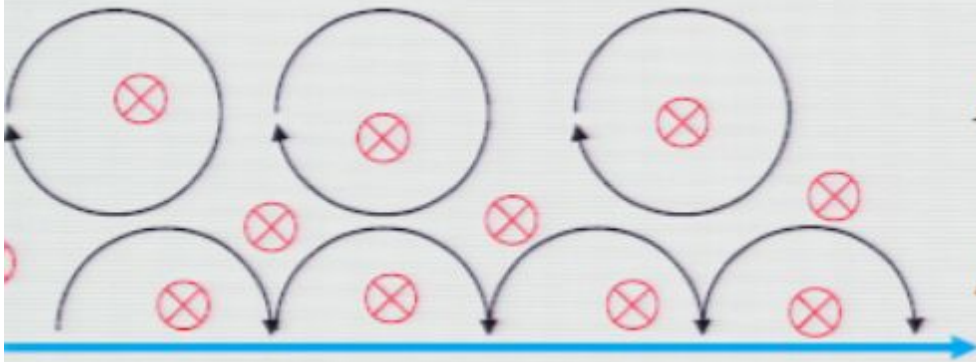


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Probing anyons without interferometry



$$L = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int dt dx [\partial_t \varphi \partial_x \varphi - v (\partial_x \varphi)^2];$$

$$\rho = \partial_x \varphi / 2\pi$$

Non-Abelian states exhibit

charge-statistics separation

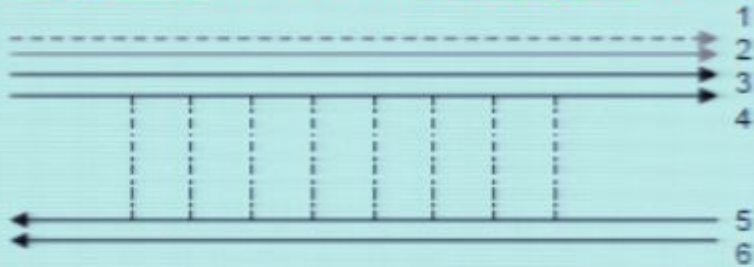
Anyons can be described by two or more fields:
 charged bosons + neutral fields which
 carry information about statistics.

For example, the Pfaffian state has a charged boson and a chiral Majorana fermion $\lambda = \lambda^+$

All fields propagate with different velocities on

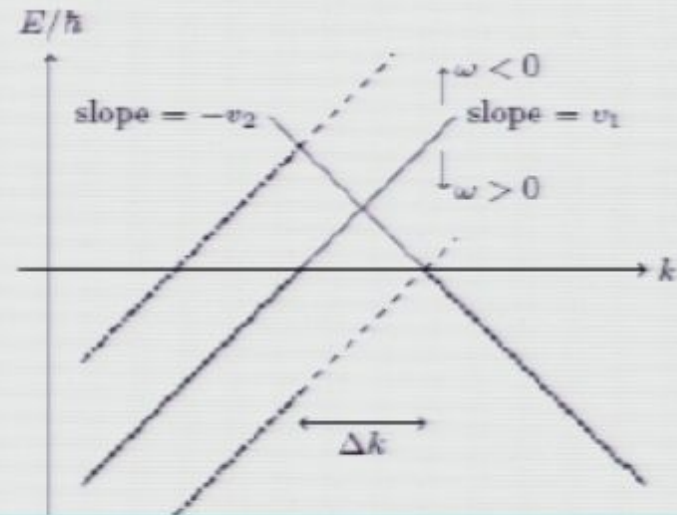
Momentum resolved tunneling

Electron Tunneling from the edge of $5/2$ to the edge of $\nu=2$



$$p \rightarrow p - \frac{e}{c} A$$

Tuning momentum difference by magnetic field



Tunneling between two integer modes. Momentum and energy conservation gives singularities at $V=v_1\Delta k$ and $V=-v_2\Delta k$

$$v_1(k - k_{F1}) - \omega = -v_2(k - k_{F2}),$$



Singularities of conductance for tunneling into boundary of $5/2$ and 2 states

K=8 State: 2 singularities

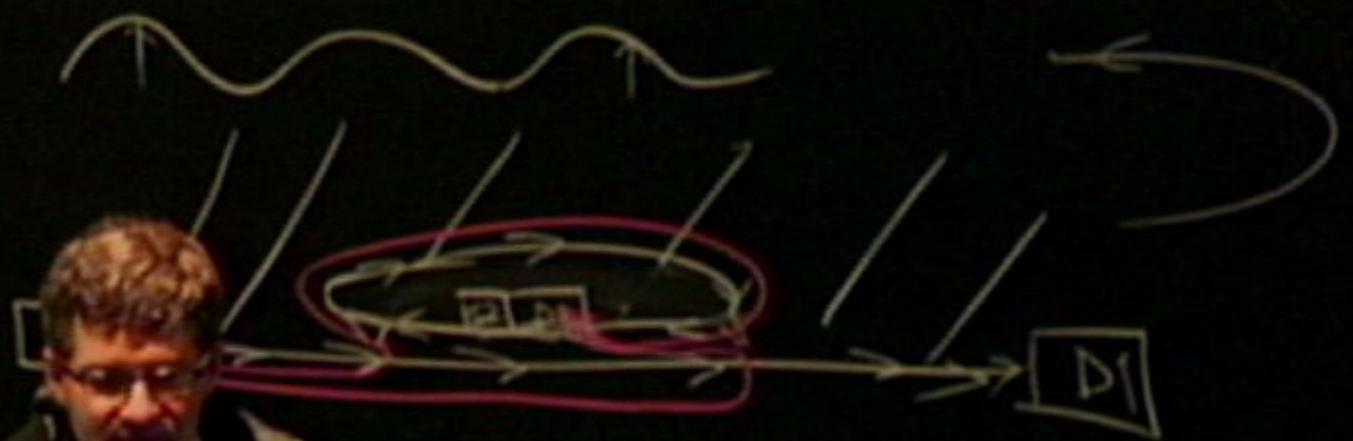
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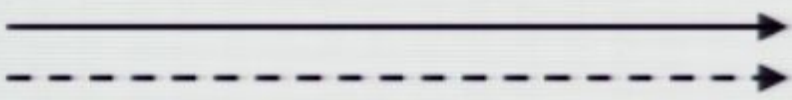
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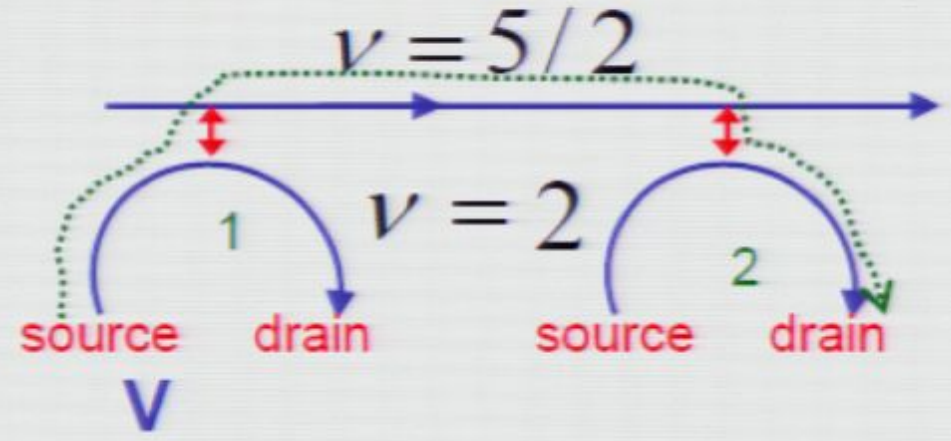
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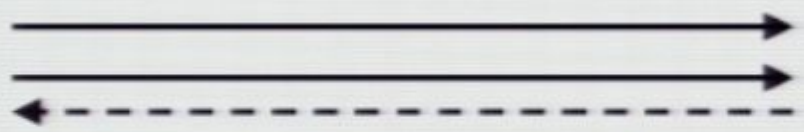
Charge mode φ
 Majorana fermion $\lambda = \lambda^+$

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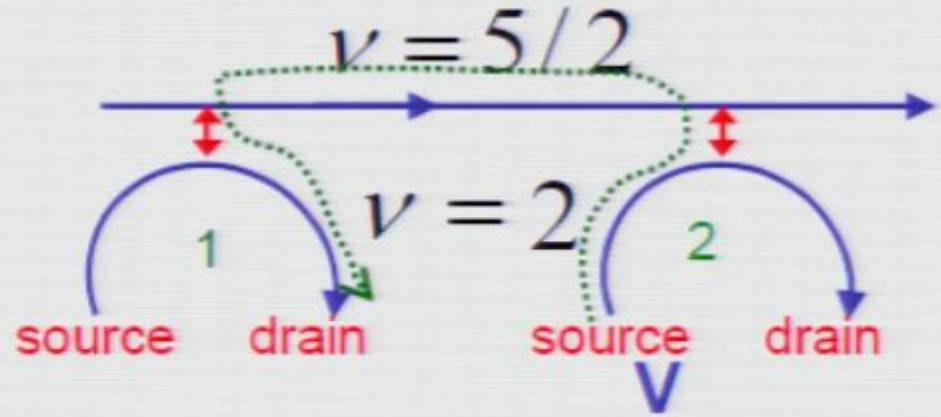
Excessive noise: $S = 5/4 \times 2eI$



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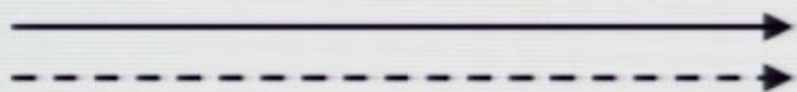


Majorana mode is left moving



$$S_1 = \frac{2\pi^3 e^2 \tau_c^8}{15\hbar^9} \Gamma_1^2 \Gamma_2^2 (eV_2)^5$$

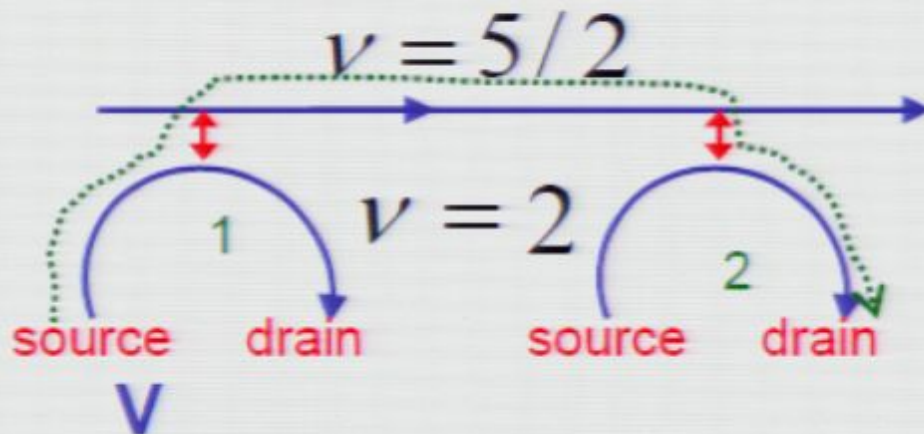
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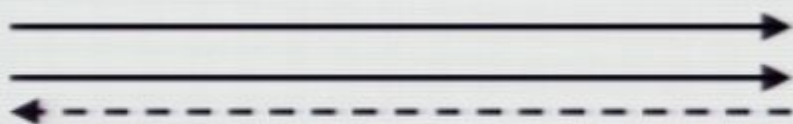
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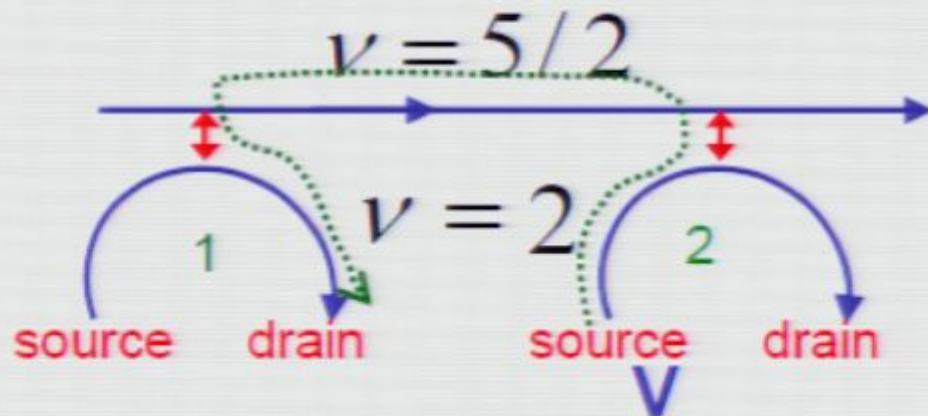


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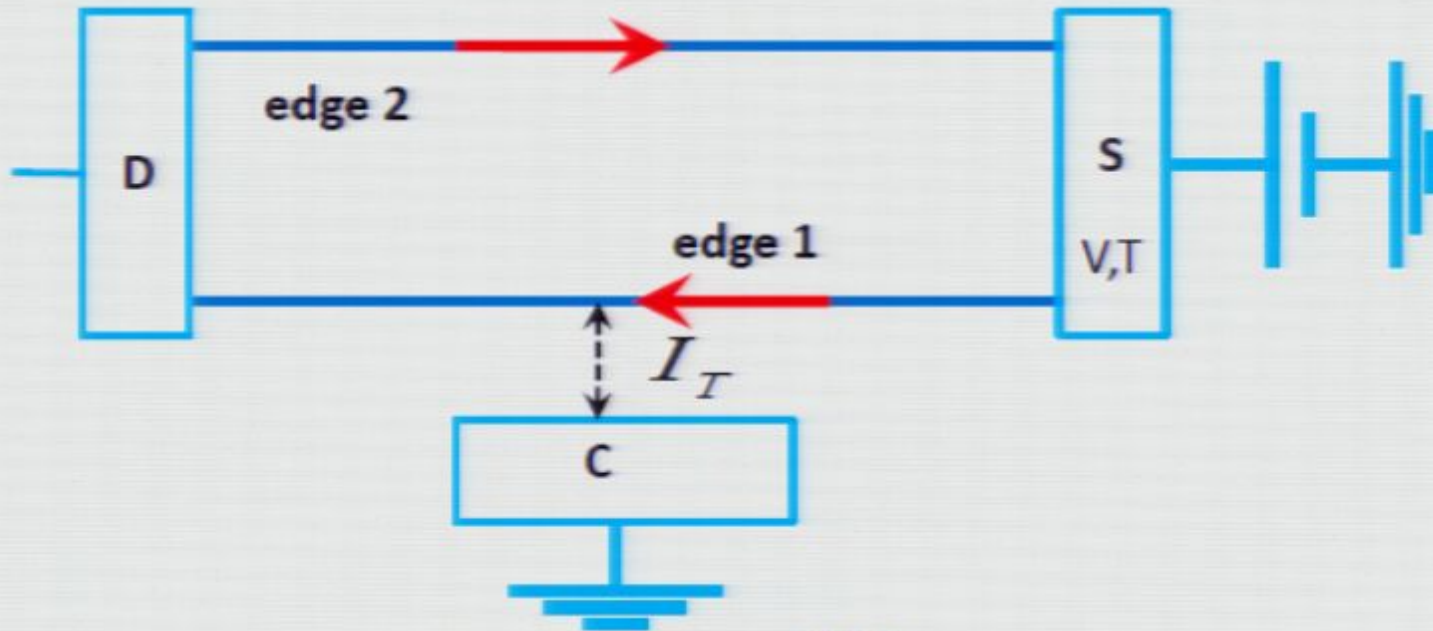


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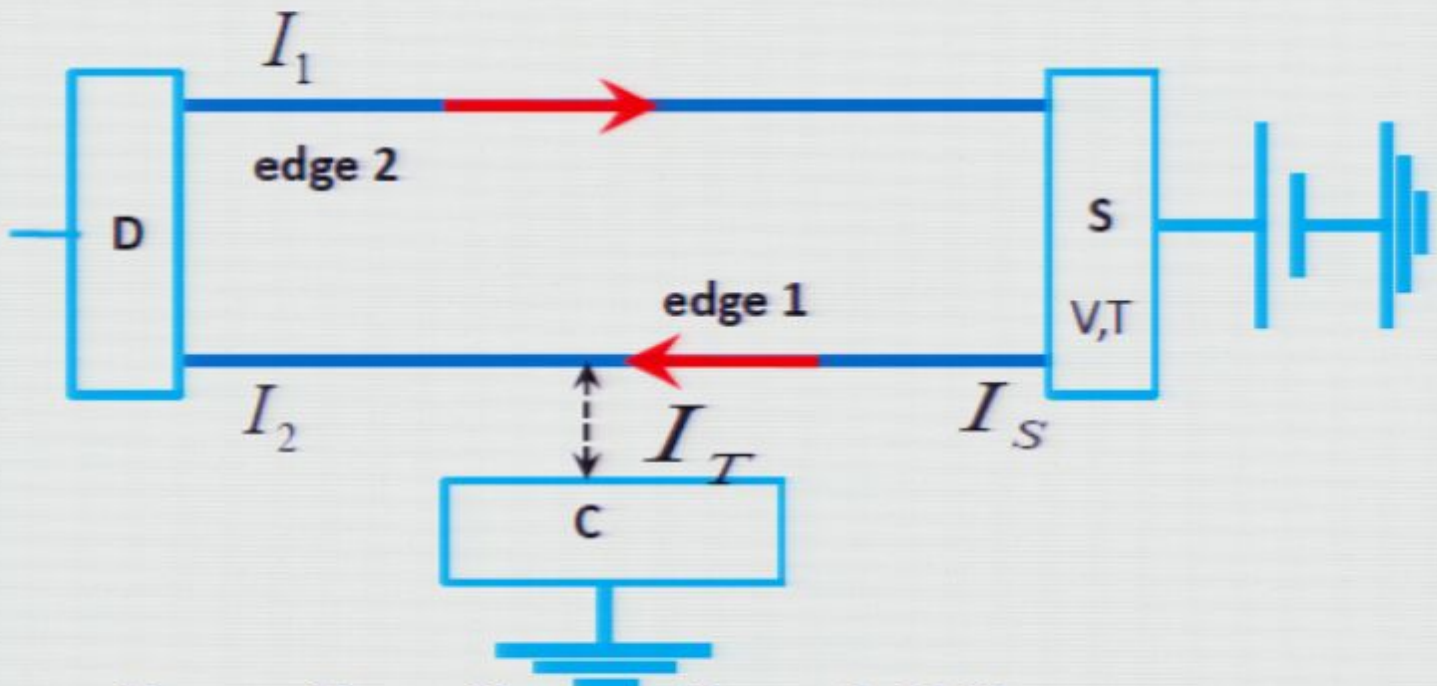
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Far-from equilibrium FDT



$$S_D = S_C - 4T \frac{\partial I_T}{\partial V} + 4GT$$

C. J. Wang and D. E. Feldman, arXiv:11042878

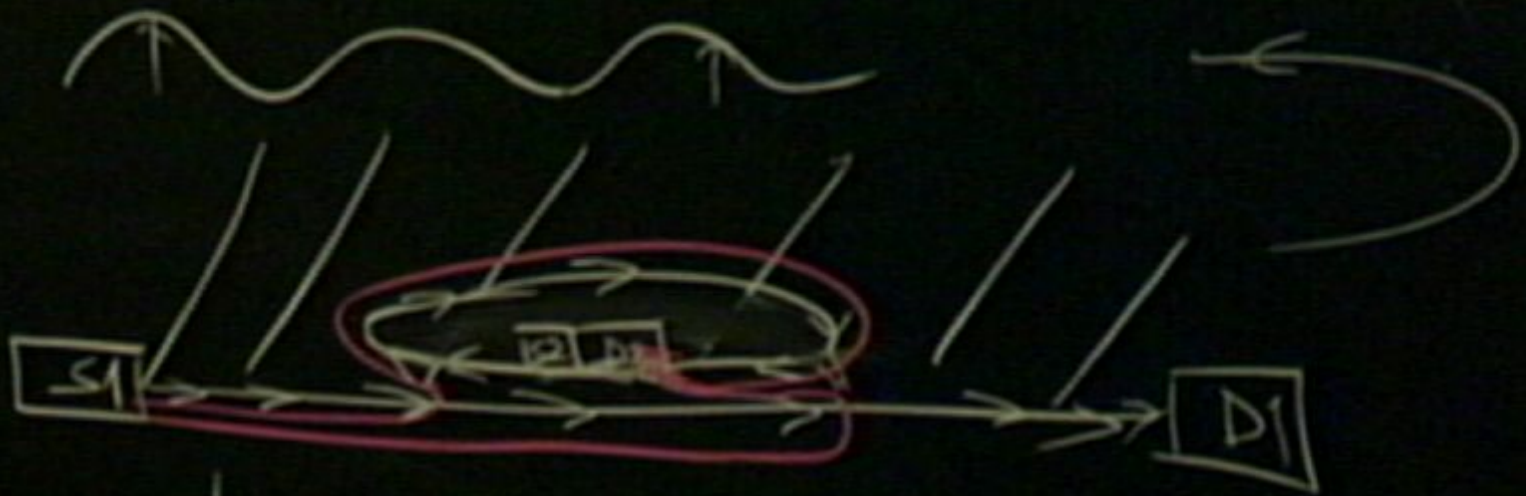


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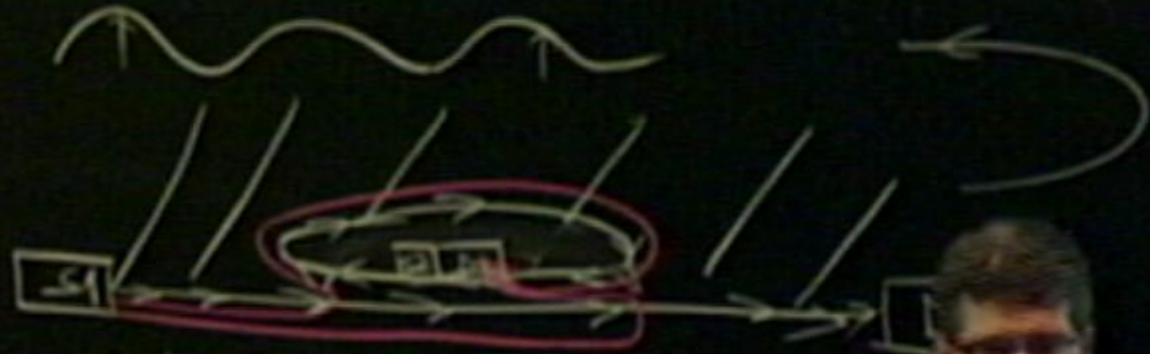
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$$I_T = I(V, I_{S<}, I_{S>}) = I(V + I_{S<} / G, I_{S>}) \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow I(V + I_{S<} / G);$$

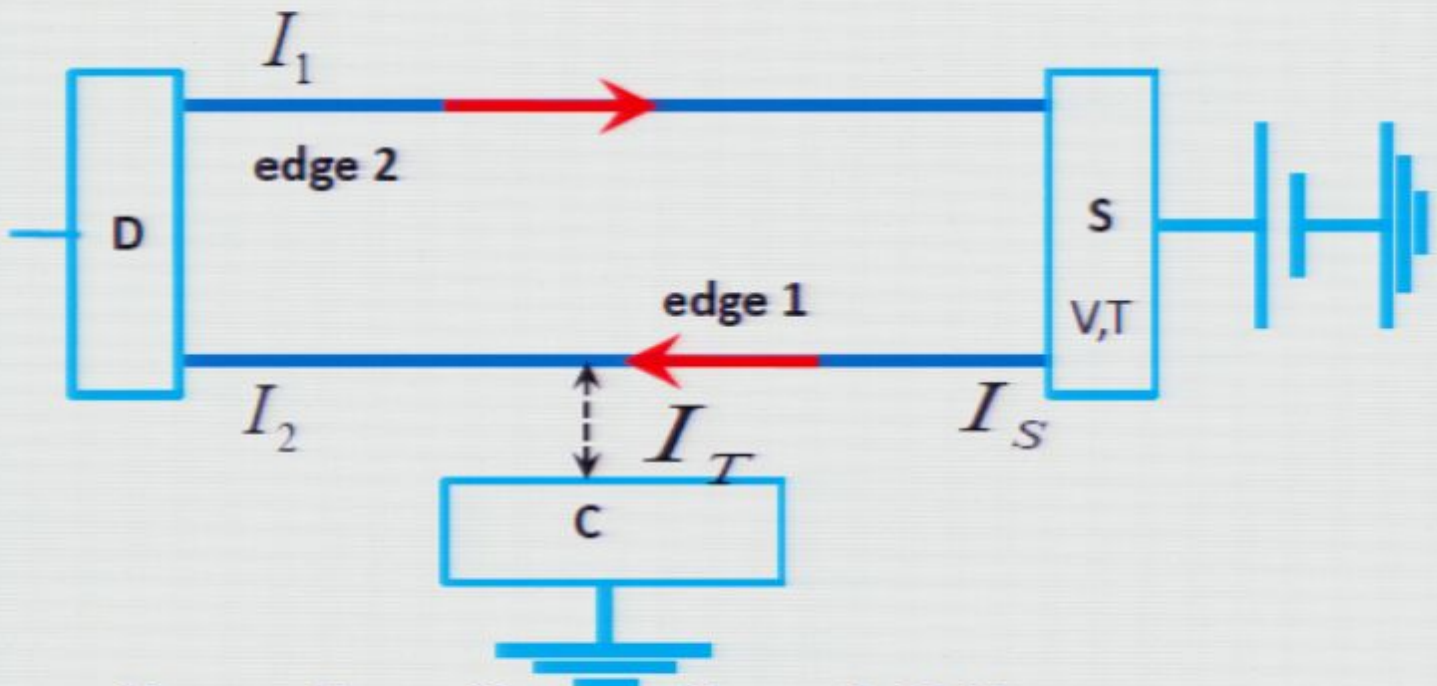


$$2hw + \frac{hw}{RT}$$



$$2hw \text{ with } \frac{hw}{RT}$$





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Summary

- Non-Abelian anyons may exist in the $5/2$ QHE state
- Mach-Zehnder interferometer can distinguish different proposed states
- Charge-statistics separation makes it possible to probe states through tunneling
- Far-from-equilibrium FDT for chiral systems
- **The smallest particles in the Universe!**